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 COUNTRY Germany (Soviet Zone) REPORT NO. [REDACTED]

TOPIC Neuruopin Airfield

25X1 EVALUATION [REDACTED] PLACE OBTAINED [REDACTED] 25X1

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REFERENCES 25X1

PAGES 2 ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE) [REDACTED]

REMARKS [REDACTED] 25X1

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- 25X1 [REDACTED]
1. Between 2:30 and 5 p. m. on 5 March 1952, [REDACTED] observed Neuruppin airfield from its eastern side. [REDACTED] not observe the aircraft at the field because of the board fence. Up to 4 p. m., there was flying by MiG-15s which took off in groups of two and landed individually. There was clear weather and good visibility. The aircraft all of which were one-seaters were not fitted with auxiliary fuel tanks. 25X1
  2. On 25 February, there was flying at the field. About 7:30 a. m. on 1 March 10 swept-back jet fighters, 2 single-engine, low-wing monoplanes, and 1 biplane were counted at the field. A type-29 plane [REDACTED] landed at 7:35 a. m. (1) Between 7:25 and 7:45 a. m. formation flying was practiced by two flights of MiG-15s. All the aircraft of one formation but only two planes of the other formation had auxiliary fuel tanks under their wings. 25X1
  3. Between 4 and 7 March, flying was practiced by pairs and in flight formation. On the afternoon of 8 March, the same number of aircraft was observed at the field as on 1 March.
  - 25X1 [REDACTED] 4. From 25 to 29 February, there was no flying at the field. About noon on 1 March, 12 MiG-15s, 2 single-engine, low-wing monoplanes with radial engines and 2 PO-2s were counted at the installation. At noon, four MiG-15s took off in groups of two. They were not observed landing at the field up to 1:30 p. m. Between noon and 5 p. m. on 6 March, there was flying in formations of five planes. The same practice was observed between 9 a. m. and 5 p. m. on 7 March. On 9 March, 10 swept-back jet fighters, 2 single-engine, low-wing monoplanes with radial engines, and 2 PO-2s were counted in front of the hangars.
  5. The board fence was being extended around the billeting area and just east of the trench as far as about 500 meters north of the barracks installations so that the view from the southern side of the field was obstructed. A bakery in Neuruppin daily delivered 350 loaves of bread, one third of which was white, to the airfield. Prisoner truck [REDACTED] in which air force soldiers were seen, was observed at the field. Sedan [REDACTED] was observed in front of the officers' club at the installation. 25X1

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25X1 [ ] 6. Between 26 and 29 February and on 2 March, there was no flying at the field. Between 9 a. m. and 2 p. m. on 1 March, MiG-15s practiced flying in flight formation. The planes took off in elements of two and landed individually. After 8 a. m. on 3 March, there was flying by swept-back jet fighters at Neuruppin airfield, while biplanes flew in Bechlin. On 4 and 5 March, there was intensive flying by MiG-15s which practiced flying in pairs and in flight formations. [ ]

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25X1 [ ] the type-29 planes required a considerably shorter take-off run than the MiG-15s. (2) However, no difference was observed at their landings. The row of lamps, which was previously set up along the runway for night flying, was no longer there. The red markers along the runway were removed when the snow had disappeared. Soviet sentries guarded the gap in the fence along Wittstocker Allee during flying activity.

7. Between 7 and 9 March, 11 MiG-15s and type-29 planes, 2 single-engine planes with radial engines, and 1 biplane were observed at the field. From 10 to 12 March, the field was occupied by 9 MiG-15 and type-29 aircraft, 3 single-engine planes with radial engines, and 2 biplanes. [ ]

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[ ] (1) On 7, 8, 10 and 12 March, there was flying in varying formations involving up to five aircraft and high altitude flying over 6,000 meters. Vehicles [ ] entered and left the field.

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8. Between 12 and 14 March, there was flying at the field. On 13 March, a formation of 16 swept-back fighters and another one of 12 planes of the same type flew over the field heading north. (3) On 14 March, formation flying was practiced by eight swept-back jet fighters. At 1:30 p. m. on 15 March, there was no flying at the field. Ten swept-back jet fighters, 2 single-engine, low-wing monoplanes, and 1 biplane were observed there. (4)

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(1) All of the aircraft [ ] were previously reported by [ ]

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25X1 (2) [ ] believed to be correct. The shorter take-off run may be explained by the smaller body tank which accounts for a lesser weight.

(3) It is probable that these planes were not flown by the Neuruppin unit which, according to available information, still is in the primary stage of formation flying.

(4) The report generally confirms the previous information on the new fighter regiment in Neuruppin. It appears that the regiment has not been brought up to its authorized strength. It is still believed to be equipped with slightly more than ten MiG-15s.

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